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**Senate Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 33**

**Introduced by Senators Speier and Escutia**

May 27, 2003

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 33—Relative to the Joint Rules.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 33, as amended, Speier. Floor votes and return of bills.

This measure would require that, as to a bill that has been passed by one house of the Legislature, the 2nd house conduct a floor vote no later than the 5th day on which a floor session is held after placing the bill on the 3rd reading file, unless the 2nd house places the bill on the inactive file *or the author requests that the bill be passed and retained on file.*

This measure would also provide that, during the 2nd calendar year of the biennium of the legislative session, the return to the house of origin of bills for which concurrence in amendments is required may not occur later than August 30, with certain exceptions.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
- 2 *thereof concurring,* That the following rules be added to the Joint
- 3 Rules of the Senate and Assembly for the 2003–04 Regular
- 4 Session, to read as follows:
- 5 First—That Rule 21.3 is added, to read:
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## 1 Floor Vote in the Second House

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3 21.3. As to a bill that has been passed by one house of the  
4 Legislature, the second house shall conduct a floor vote no later  
5 than the fifth day on which a floor session is held after the bill is  
6 placed on the third reading file, unless the bill is placed on the  
7 inactive file by the second house *or the author requests that the bill*  
8 *be passed and retained on file.*

9 Second—That Rule 21.5 is added, to read:

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11 Return of Bills to House of Origin

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13 21.5. In the second calendar year of the biennium of the  
14 legislative session, the return to the house of origin of bills for  
15 which concurrence in amendments is required shall occur no later  
16 than August 30, or one day prior to the last day of the session,  
17 whichever occurs first. This rule does not apply to a bill that is  
18 passed by either house on or after September 1 pursuant to the  
19 second sentence of subdivision (c) of Section 10 of Article IV of  
20 the California Constitution.

